(d) what are the reasons that strike is continuing ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The strike commenced on 18-1-1990.

(c) and (d) The demands include reinstatement with full bark wages to all workmen and employees whose servires have been terminated, fixation of pay scales for different categories of workmen, payment of house rent and night allowances, bonus, leave travel concession, advance for marriage, festivals and purchase of household goods, welfare and service allowance, payment of overtime at double the normal rate, adoption of a scheme for reimbursement of the expenses incirred on education of children of the workman, formulation of a proper policy for filling up the vacancies and also to promote those alrredy employed according to their eligibility.

According to information furnished by the Drlhi Administration, in the case, having failed in efforts foi conciliation, the matter now stands referred for adjudication.

Coconut plantation affected by Root Wilt Disease

1138. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the extent to which the root wilt disease affected coconut plantation in the Southern States particularly in Kerala, as on date ;

(b) what steps have been taken by Government to control this diseases; and

(c) if it is not possible to control this disease, what measures have been taken to prevent the spread of root wilt disease ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR) : (a) Root wilt disease has affected contiguous areas of 4·1 lakh ha. covering eight southern districts of Kerala as well as the adjoining districts of Kanyakumari and Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu.

(b) No effective remedial measures have been evolved so far to control the disease.

(c) The Coconut Development Board has undertaken several programmes to prevent the spread of disease which include removal of root wilt affected palms by giving financial assistance to coconut growers. So far about 3 lakh diseased palms in Kerala and 12,000 palms in Tamil Nadu have been removed. Integrated farming in coconut small holdings in Kerala for productivity improvement covering 10,000 ha. has also been taken up. Since the diseased palms respond well to better management practices like fertilizer application, irrigation, control of leaf-root etc., recommendations on these have been formulated and advocated for general adoption. Sanitation and quarantine measures have also been advocated to prevent the spread of the disease.

Maintenance of parks in Hari Nagar, Delhi

1139. SHRI JAGADISH JANI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question No. 2253 given in Rajya Sabha on 30th March, 1990 and:

(a) the number of parks, both big and small, including the green belt and the number of supervisors and malis posted to maintain these parks ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the tubewell meant for watering the parks is out of order for quite a long time and the underground pipe leading to 'CD' and 'BC' parks cannot be used as the water flows out on the roads ;

(c) if so, what action has been taken/is proposed to be taken to repair the tubewell and to replace the underground rotten pipes ; and

(d) by when the lighting, grills, swings etc. are likely to be rectified/replaced ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) DDA has furnished the following information :

Total number of parks, both big and small, including green belt is 23 ;

No. of Supervisors . . .	1
No. of Malis . . .	9 ;

(b) Yes, Sir. The tubewell is out of order and has been abandoned. No leakage on road ss reported.

(c) Action has been taken to replace the old tubewell by a new tubewell.

(d) Since no lighting arrangements grills and swings have been provided in the parks, the question of their rectification/replacement does not arise.

Construction of bus stop in Hari Nagar

1140. SHRI JAGADISH JANI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2253 given in Rajya Sabha on 30th March, 1990 and state :

(a) when the said layout plan for the area was prepared; and

(b) whether Government propose to change the Master Plan for the benefit of the health of the people and chalk out a plan which may accommodate a piece of land for a Mini Bus Stop so that the plants and green land is saved in an other wise pollution infested area?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) The plan of the area was prepared by the Delhi Development Authority during 1986.

(b) The proposed Mini Bus Station in Hari Nagar area is a public facility for the convenience of the general public and there is no proposal to change the land use of this site.

Norms for distribution of Phosphoric Acid

1141. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 556 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th March, 1990 and state :

(a) what are the norms laid down by Government for distribution of Phosphoric Acid and Ammonia ; and

(b) whether Phospheric Acid would be imported in crystal form or in liquid form with grades/percentages ?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL) : (a) No norms have been laid down by the Government so far for the distribution of phosphoric acid and ammonia by the canalising agency (MMTC) to the user companies. However, phosphoric acid is being allocated by MMTC to various users in consultation with the Department of Fertilizers on the basis of licensed capacity, past allocation and the quantity authorised for import.

(b) Phosphoric acid is imported in liquid form (generally referred to as Merchant Grade Acid or MGA) with P 205 content ranging from 52% to 54%.

Relaxation of policy for creation of fresh capacity for production of vanaspati

1142. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently relaxed the norms for creation of fresh capacity for production of vanaspati ; if so, what are the details of the relaxed policy ;

(b) what are the names and addresses of the parties/organisation who have been granted letter of Intent/Industrial licences since the creation of fresh capacity for production of vanaspati is relaxed and capacity approved party-wise ; and

(c) what are the names and addresses of the parties/Organisation whose applications for grant of letter of Intent/Industrial licenses for production of vanaspati are pending since the policy is relaxed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Milk container service by Mother Dairy

1143. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the norms laid down by the National dairy Development Board (Mother Dairy) in Union Territory of Delhi for providing its container services for supply of milk in remote corners where mother dairy booths are far of ; and

(b) what are the details of the authorities in Delhi to be contacted for providing the milk container services ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR) : (a) Mother Dairy installs Insulated Containers keeping in view availability of milk from other sources in the area, marketing